

NEWS AND EVENTS

- [RUFORUM in new partnership with IIED and UK universities to study development trade-offs in African agriculture](#)
- [African Union Commission Chair calls for the escalation of science, technology innovation in agriculture to stimulate an 'African renaissance'](#)
- [Building capacity and quality through academic exchanges](#)
- [RUFORUM Board member - Bongwiwe Njobe appointed chair of GFAR](#)
- [Pan-African food and biomass network launched](#)
- **RUFORUM Survey:** Share your ideas on RUFORUM Vision 2030 in [English](#) or [French](#)
- **Event:** [Sorghum in the 21st Century, Cape Town, 9-12 April 2018](#)

PUBLICATIONS

- [Effect of exogenous fludioxonil postharvest treatment on physiological response, physico-chemical, textural, phytochemical and sensory characteristics of pomegranate fruit \(Atukuri, Fawole & Opara, 2017\)](#)
- [Application of postharvest chemical treatments to enhance storage and shelf life of pomegranate fruit \(cv. Wonderful\) \(Atukuri, 2017\)](#)
- [Making CGIAR outputs open and accessible: the CGSpace collaboration \(Yabowork, Orth & Ballantyne, 2017\)](#)
- [Open access and open data at CGIAR: challenges and solutions \(Devare et al, 2017\)](#)
- [Application of physical and chemical postharvest treatments to enhance storage and shelf life of pomegranate fruit—A review \(Opara, Atukuri & Fawole, 2015\)](#)

FEATURED VIDEO: [Transforming African Agricultural Universities to meaningfully contribute to Africa's Development](#)

OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Awards

- **(RUFORUM call)** [IMPRESSA Awards 2017](#). RUFORUM award recognizing outstanding university scientists contributing to agricultural Research and Science for Development in Africa. **Deadline: 31 July 2017**
- [Best Sweet Potato Scientific Paper Award – 2017 Edition](#). **Deadline: 30 July 2017**
- **(New)** [D-Prize](#). Funds pilot projects that widely distribute low-cost products and services in the fight against poverty. Open to all entrepreneurs. **Deadline: 30 July 2017 (early); 20 August 2017 (regular deadline)**
- [TWAS-Abdool Karim Prize](#) for women scientists in the biological sciences. **Deadline: 31 July 2017**
- **(New)** [MIT's Solve 2017 Global Challenges competition](#). **Deadline: 1 August 2017**

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- [Africa Climate Change Fund call for projects & programmes](#) to support African countries transition to climate resilient, low carbon development, and scale-up access to climate finance. **Deadline: 13 August 2017**
- [UNFCCC Global Youth Video Competition 2017](#) for youth aged 18-30 to submit videos that showcase actions on climate change. Winners will attend the COP23 in Bonn. **Deadline: 18 August 2017**
- [Call for proposals from African institutions to implement of the Global Monitoring for Environment and Security in Africa \(GMES\) & Africa Support Programme.](#) **Deadline: 21 August 2017**
- [Feed the Future Innovation lab for Peanut Research \(PRIL\).](#) **Deadline: 6 September 2017**
- [Toyota Foundation call for proposals for joint or individual research grants beginning in May 2018.](#) Open to all areas of research and persons of all nationalities. **Deadline: 8 September 2017**
- [Call for Geodata for Agriculture and Water \(G4AW\) Facility 2017-2018.](#) **Deadline: 14 September 2017**
- [OCLC/ALISE Library & Information Science Research Grant Program \(LISRGP\) 2018 Call for Proposals.](#) **Deadline: 15 September 2017**
- **(New)** [Kwame Nkrumah Regional Scientific Awards for Women 2017.](#) **Deadline: 31 October 2017**
- **(New)** [DAAD scholarships for postgraduate studies in Germany 2018-2019.](#) Application deadlines vary across universities and programmes. **Several deadlines for scholarships are in September and October 2017**
- [NEPAD-SANBio mobility grants to support regional and international travel and accommodation for individuals in the Biosciences field.](#) **Deadline: Open till December 2018**
- [WIOMSA Marine Research Grants Programme - Travel Grant.](#) Supports young scientists to present research results at various fora. **Applications for travel grants can be submitted anytime**

Scholarships and courses:

- **(RUFORUM call)** [PhD Training Opportunities under the RUFORUM Graduate Teaching Assistantship Program.](#) **Applications will be accepted throughout the year**
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for proposals for the RUFORUM Field Attachment Program Award \(FAPA\).](#) **Proposals will be accepted throughout 2017**
- [Call for PhD Applications for 2017/2018 cohort of the PASET Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund](#) **Deadline: 24 July 2017**
- [Association of African Universities \(AAU\) Staff Exchange Programme 2017.](#) For staff of AAU member universities. **All exchange missions have to be completed by end of December 2017**
- [Enhancing librarians' ICT skills for research enablement in African universities: a Carnegie CPD programme.](#) For professionals from Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania & Uganda. **Deadline: 26 July 2017**
- [Call for Postdoctoral, PhD and MPhil/MSc research fellowships at SACIDS Africa Centre of Excellence for Infectious Diseases of Humans and Animals in Southern and Eastern Africa.](#) **Deadline: 28 July 2017**

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- DAAD graduate scholarships for sub-Saharan Africans to pursue masters and doctoral studies at the Regional Studies Center to Ameliorate and Adapt to Drought (CERAAS), Senegal. **Deadline: 28 July 2017**
- Call for PhD Studies at the African Center of Excellence in Energy for Sustainable Development (ACEESD), University of Rwanda. Scholarships available. **Deadline: 31 July 2017**
- PhD scholarships at Centre for Research, Agricultural Advancement, Teaching Excellence and Sustainability in Food and Nutritional Security (CREATES), Tanzania. **Applications will be received till slots are filled**
- IWC scholarships to study Master of Integrated Water Management in Brisbane, Australia starting 1 September 2018. **Deadline: 1 August 2017**
- **(New)** TWAS-CNPq Postdoctoral Fellowship Programme. For young scientists from developing countries other than Brazil to pursue research at Brazilian research institutions. Deadline: 11 August 2017
- Global Leadership Fellows Programme of the World Economic Forum. Open to applicants with a master's degree in any discipline. Deadline: 15 August 2017
- 2017 Kauffman Foundation Dissertation Fellowship Program. For doctoral students at accredited U.S. universities to support dissertations in the area of entrepreneurship. **Deadline: 16 August 2017**
- 2017/2018 call for applications for MSc and PhD courses at the African University of Science & Technology, Abuja. Some scholarships available. **Deadline: 31 August 2017**
- ICRA courses:
 - Learning, action research and outreach – Making higher education boost food security, 30 October to 17 November 2017, the Netherlands. **Deadline: 5 September 2017**
 - Building agribusiness relations for sustainable profit – Learning key skills for inclusive business brokerage, 13-24 November 2017, Nigeria. **Deadline: 12 September 2017**
- TWAS Fellowship for Research and Advanced Training. For young scientists in developing countries to spend 3-12 months at a research institution in another developing country. **Deadline: 1 October 2017**
- 2017 Cornell University Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship. Open to recent doctoral graduates from all areas of research. **Deadline: 1 October 2017**
- Nestlé Foundation grants for research in human nutrition in low-income and lower middle-income countries. Support includes grants for Masters and PhD projects. **Applications accepted all year round**
- Call for post-doctoral candidate to work on the gender-energy-entrepreneurship-environment nexus in Tanzania. Tenable at Chalmers University of Technology. **Email: helene.ahlborg@chalmers.se**
- Call for participation in the 11th AAU Leadership Development Workshop (LEDEV) for Higher Education Institutions, 5-8 September 2017, Ghana.

Calls for Papers

- **(RUFORUM Call)** Call for papers for special issue of African Journal of Rural Development: "Multi-stakeholder Research & Innovation Platforms in Agricultural Research for Development". **New deadline: 15 August 2017**
- **(RUFORUM call)** Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development. Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**

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- **(New)** [MSc Programs in Engineering and Technology of Oil and Gas at the University of Eduardo Mondlane, Mozambique](#). Limited number of scholarships available. **Deadline: 22 July 2017**
- [Call for papers for the CODATA 2017 Conference on 'Global Challenges and Data Driven Science'](#), Saint-Petersburg, 8-12 October 2017. **Deadline 28 July 2017**
- **(New)** [Call for abstracts for the 2017 Forum on African Vegetables \(Afri-Veg 2017 Forum\)](#), Cotonou, 20-22 November 2017. **Deadline extended to 30 August 2017**
- [Call for papers for conference on "Quantitative Methods for Integrated Food and Nutrition Security Measurement"](#). Scholarships available for authors. **Deadline: 31 August 2017**
- [Call for papers and workshop proposals for the 4th International Association of Agricultural Information Specialists \(IAALD\) – Africa Conference 2018](#), Pretoria. **Deadline: 30 September 2017**

WEBINARS & E-DISCUSSIONS

- [Engaging African youth in agribusiness in a changing climate](#). E-discussion from 12 July to 12 August 2017
- **(New)** [e-Agriculture Webinar: Farmer-centered design](#), 28 July 2017

JOBBS

- [RUFORUM vacancy: Manager Information & Technology](#). **Deadline: 31 August, 2017**
- **(New)** [World Bank Young Professionals Program 2018](#). For individuals skilled in areas including agriculture and natural resources. Applicants should hold a PhD or master's degree. **Deadline: 28 July 2017**
- [FANRPAN Chief Executive Officer](#). **Deadline: 30 July 2017**
- ILRI vacancies:
 - [Forage Genebank Manager](#). Position will be based in Addis Ababa. **Deadline: 31 July 2017**
 - **(New)** [Bioinformatician](#). Position will be based in Nairobi. **Deadline: 17 August 2017**
- **(New)** [Consultancies at FAO Green Climate Fund](#). **Deadline: 3 September 2017**

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